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Dear Mr. Beaty,

I write in response to your request to the Office of the Governor, dated January 23, 2019, seeking "digital documents which show the cost to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts for attendance at political fundraisers and events by Massachusetts Governor Charlie Baker."¹

This Office has no records responsive to your request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Rachel Sang".

Rachel Sang
Legal Assistant / Records Access Officer

¹ Please note that the Office of the Governor is not one of the instrumentalities enumerated in G.L. c. 4, §7, cl. 26, and therefore its records are not subject to disclosure under the public records law. The Supreme Judicial Court has so held. See Lambert v. Executive Director of the Judicial Nominating Council, 425 Mass. 406, 409 (1997). Notwithstanding Lambert, it is the voluntary practice of the Office to consider and to respond to public records requests on a case-by-case basis.